

ADDENDUM

You will recall that in the talk which Mr. Kennan gave in Q Bldg. this morning, he listed as the first and perhaps the most serious weakness in the international position of the U.S. the inadequate and unsatisfactory character of the situation as regards Germany and Japan. In this connection he stated specifically that for the improvement of the German situation, it is absolutely essential that the German people be able to see the prospect of a position for themselves as full-fledged members of the Western European community, and that this will require the development of a better understanding between the German people and the peoples of the Western European countries. (These may not be his exact words but it is the sense of what he said.) I believe that this serves to reinforce [REDACTED] suggestion as outlined in paragraph 7 of the foregoing memorandum and that we may therefore with confidence proceed to work up the outlines of one or more projects calculated to accomplish the desired result.

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I believe that it would be useful for you to make this memorandum available to your senior staff officers.